

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS21033

There are currently 43 ongoing advisory committees, task forces and commissions requiring 220 separate appointments of members of the Idaho Legislature. This legislative appointment process takes a great deal of time and coordination, so it is important to review the status of these working groups from time to time and make changes if appropriate. This legislation cleans up a few of these appointment statutes for commissions and task forces that have not been active for many years, and simply changes the name of one such entity.

Section 1 of the bill points out through legislative intent that there is no need for appointments to the State Treasurer's Commemorative Medallion Committee until such time as the Treasurer issues a new silver medallion.

Section 2 of the bill repeals I.C. 39-3029 which established the Pacific States Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee in the early 1980's. That Committee was intended to develop policy and resolve issues related to transporting radioactive materials safely. The committee was never fully organized and has not met since 1987.

Section 3 of the bill deals with the State Trust for Outdoor Recreation Enhancement (STORE), a program established in 1995 to provide recreation grants, but was never funded. This bill only eliminates the grants award committee (I.C. 67-4247A), but does not eliminate the STORE program itself. If the program is ever funded, then the grants committee can be re-established, or the IDPR can cover that responsibility.

Section 4 of the bill repeals I.C. 67-85 which established the Idaho Hall of Fame Building Advisory Board in 1997. The Board included three legislative appointments, but has never met.

Section 5 of the bill simply reflects a name change to accurately reflect the name of the Western States Transportation Agreement.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no direct fiscal impact to the General Fund or any other state fund or entity, but there will be some savings in time and efficiency by updating the legislative appointment process.

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